comments on the observation pertaining to them which include re-emergence of problem villages and short comings in critical parameters of adequacy, regularity, quality, distance of source of water, etc.

Rural Development Technologies

1599. SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD : Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that an eminent nuclear scientist has called for "technology foresight" for selecting the critical technologies for development with a national perspective giving the first place for rural development related technologies a high priority;

(b) if so, the steps that are being considered for rural development technologies;

(c) whether any measures in this regard have been worked out; and

(d) if so, to what extent this technology is likely to help develop rural areas?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI SUBHASH MAHARIA): (a) to (d) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Utilisation of PMGSY funds by States

1600. PROF. M. SANKARALINGAM: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the amount utilised by each State for the last three years under the Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana;

(b) what is the mechanism to monitor the operation of the programme;

(c) the details of the instructions given to the implementing authority with regard to tendering and monitoring mechanism to carry out the mechanism in time;

(d) whether Government have received complaints from the States regarding this scheme; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI SHANTA KUMAR): (a) The State-wise details of the value of proposals cleared and the cumulative expenditure incurred under the Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) is given in the enclosed Statement. (*See* below).

(b) to (e) The PMGSY Guidelines stipulate that the well-established procedure for tendering, through competitive biding would be followed and packages would be tendered in packages of appropriate size - between Rs. 1.00 crore to Rs. 5.00 crore. The Guidelines include, *inter-alia*, provisions in regard to setting up of effective monitoring mechanism at the District, State and Central levels. At the District level, periodic inspection of works is to be carried out by the competent Supervisory Authority (ies) of the Executing Agency. The State Level Standing Committee (SLSC) is required to ensure close and effective monitoring of the Programme,besides overseeing that the supervision of work is continuous and effective. The National Rural Roads Development Agency (NRRDA), a society set up by the Ministry, extends management support to the Programme. The progress of the works is regularly reviewed with the State Governments/Union Territory Administrations in the interest of timely completion of the same. The programme is being implemented with the full cooperation of the State Governments/Union Territory Administrations.

Statement

Value of proposals cleared and cumulative expenditure incurred under Pradhan Mantri Sadak Yojana (PMGSY)

Rs. in Crore

#	States	Value of Proposals cleared (2000-01 & 2001-02)	Cumulative expenditure incurred up to June, 2002
1	2	3	4
1.	Andhra Pradesh	659.97	214.21
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	120.95	71.51
3.	Assam	229.92	77.48*
4.	Bihar	452.87	12.00*
5.	Chattisgarh	276.44	86.61*
6.	Goa	15.16	5.00

1	2	3	4
7.	Gujarat	162.91	61.10
8.	Haryana	85.57	17.28
9.	Himachal Pradesh	192.36	62.30
10.	Jammu and Kashmir	80.42	7.37
11.	Jharkhand	336.18	75.00
12.	Karnataka	306.29	82.15
13.	Kerala	64.63	13.10
14.	Madhya Pradesh	720.81	93.89*
15.	Maharashtra	394.11	116.21
16.	Manipur	120.71	31.33*
17.	Meghalaya	115.67	35.39
18.	Mizoram	69.65	34.16
19.	Nagaland	65.28	26.21
20.	Orissa	520.88	93.78
21.	Punjab	102.22	42.25
22.	Rajasthan	403.14	143.94
23.	Sikkim	50.97	26.86
24.	Tamil Nadu	267.82	79.48
25.	Tripura	76.60	24.62
26.	Uttar Pradesh	963.05	247.83
27.	Uttaranchal	199.40	30.45
28.	West Bengal	419.65	73.10

*Value of work done.

Contract Farming for Cotton

1601. SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has decided the modalities for contract farming in cotton at the earliest to ensure adequate supply of quality cotton to the mills;